

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2238**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Coto**

February 18, 2010

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An act to add Section 8591.5 to the Government Code, relating to emergency services.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2238, as introduced, Coto. Emergency services: California Earthquake Prediction Evaluation Council.

The California Emergency Services Act establishes the California Emergency Management Agency within the office of the Governor, under the supervision of the Secretary of California Emergency Management. The act provides that it does not prevent the Governor or the secretary from formally recognizing committees or boards established by or with segments of the private sector or public agencies that control facilities, resources, or the provision of services essential to the mitigation of the effects of an emergency or recovery from an emergency.

This bill would establish in the agency the California Earthquake Prediction Evaluation Council. The bill would require that the council, in conjunction with the California Integrated Seismic Network, review earthquake predictions and forecasts and advise the Governor.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1     SECTION 1. Section 8591.5 is added to the Government Code,  
2 to read:  
3     8591.5. (a) There is established in the California Emergency  
4 Management Agency the California Earthquake Prediction  
5 Evaluation Council.  
6     (b) The council shall be composed of \_\_\_\_\_.  
7     (c) In conjunction with the California Integrated Seismic  
8 Network, the council shall review earthquake predictions and  
9 forecasts and advise the Governor of those earthquake predictions  
10 and forecasts having scientific validity.  
11     (d) Members of the council shall be entitled to receive actual  
12 and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

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